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THERMOPHILUS STRAINS PRODUCING STABLE HIGH-

MOLECULAR-MASS EXOPOLYSACCHARIDES

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Dear Sir:

At the time the above-identified application was filed, a Declaration was not submitted. As of this date, we have not received a Notice to File Missing Parts. However, in anticipation of receiving this communication, we are forwarding to you the following documents:

(X) The signed Declaration and Power of Attorney

The following fees are enclosed:

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